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With the world moving towards being increasingly dependent on computers and automation, one of the main challenges in the current decade has been to build secure applications, systems and networks. Alongside these challenges, the number of threats is rising exponentially due to the attack surface increasing through numerous interfaces offered for each service. To alleviate the impact of these threats, researchers have proposed numerous solutions; however, current tools often fail to adapt to ever-changing architectures, associated threats and 0-days. This manuscript aims to provide researchers with a taxonomy and survey of current dataset composition and current Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS) capabilities and assets. These taxonomies and surveys aim to improve both the efficiency of IDS and the creation of datasets to build the next generation IDS as well as to reflect networks threats more accurately in future datasets. To this end, this manuscript also provides a taxonomy and survey or network threats and associated tools. The manuscript highlights that current IDS only cover 25% of our threat taxonomy, while current datasets demonstrate clear lack of real-network threats and attack representation, but rather include a large number of deprecated threats, hence limiting the accuracy of current machine learning IDS. Moreover, the taxonomies are open-sourced to allow public contributions through a Github repository.

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1 INTRODUCTION

The world is becoming more dependent on connected actuators and sensors, regulating the life of millions of people. Furthermore, sensor data is expected to increase by around 13%, reaching 35% of overall data communication by 2020, reaching a peak of 50 billion connected devices and an increased Internet traffic reaching 30 GB on average per capita compared to around 10 GB in

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2016 [17]. While each of these devices in IoT system exchange collected data, associated services often provide numerous interfaces to interact with the collected data, often increasing the attack surface, highlighting the importance of network security. Therefore, it is crucial to build robust tools to defend networks against security threats. Current detection tools are often based on outdated datasets which, do not reflect the reality of network attacks, rendering the Intrusion Detection Systems (IDS) ineffective against new threats and 0-days. To the best knowledge of the authors, there is currently no survey and taxonomy manuscript analysing available datasets, nor providing a taxonomy of the current network threats and the tools associated with them. The contributions of this paper are threefold:

- An Intrusion detection systems survey and taxonomy is presented, including:
 - An IDS Design Taxonomy
 - IDS Evaluation Metrics
 - A survey of IDS Implementations
- Evaluation of available datasets
- A Threat taxonomy is presented, categorized by:
 - The Threat Sources
 - The Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) Layer
 - Active or Passive modes
 - As well as an example of recent attacks

The rest of the paper is organized as follows; Section 2 depicts the main differences between intrusion detection systems and their main evaluation metrics. In section 3, IDS of the past decade are reviewed and their individual contributions are assessed. Moreover, available datasets are discussed highlighting their drawbacks and limitations. Section 4 provides a threat taxonomy.

2 INTRUSION DETECTION SYSTEMS

IDS are defined as systems built to monitor and analyse network communication, as a result of monitoring, and hence detect anomalies and intrusions.

Current IDS taxonomies focus on a single aspect of the IDS, such as the machine learning algorithms that researchers can potentially use [32] [38], the characteristics of intrusion detection systems [20] [6], or the features that should be used by researchers to design an IDS [91]. While these provide valuable information, these surveys do not provide an global overview dedicated to the design of next-generation IDS, but rather focus on a narrow field. In this section, a broad taxonomy dedicated to the design of intrusion detection system is presented including the different features an IDS can be composed of.

Figure 1 provides a taxonomy of intrusion detections systems. Figure 1 (Branch 1) includes the general attributes characterizing IDS such as their role in the network, the information provided by the intrusion detection system, the system requirements, and their usage. Branch 2 describes the attributes related to the types of decisions, infrastructure in place, as well as their computational location. Branch 3 includes the evaluation metrics. Branch 4 provides a descriptive analysis of their location on the network. Branch 4 also includes an analysis of the triggers. Branch 5 places intrusion detection systems in the context of Mobile Ad hoc Networks (MANETS), and finally, Branch 6 highlights the shortcomings of IDS in the context of Wireless Sensor Networks (WSN) [13]. The different branches are subsequently described in Sections 2.1 through 2.4.

2.1 IDS Design Taxonomy

As mentioned, machine learning based IDS focuses on detecting misbehaviour in networks. When an intrusion is detected the IDS is expected to log the information related to the intrusion (1.1.1).

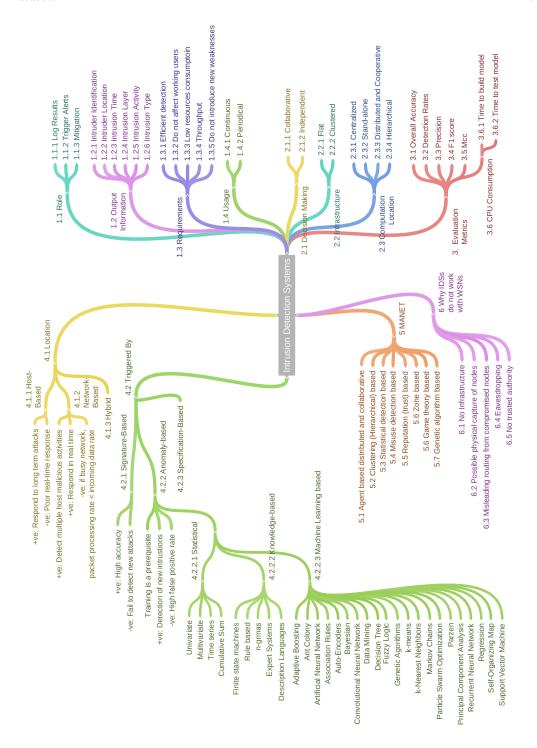


Fig. 1. Intrusion Detection Systems

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These logs can then be used by network forensic investigators to further analyse the breach or for the learning process of the IDS itself. IDS are also expected to trigger alerts (1.1.2). The alert should provide information on the threat detected, and the affected system. By raising an alert, authorized users can take corrective action and mitigate the threat. Intrusion Detection System should also include a mitigation feature, giving the ability of the system to take corrective actions (1.1.3) [13].

In order to build an efficient intrusion detection system, the output information provided by the IDS to the end user is critical for analysis. The information recorded should contain intruder identification information (1.2.1) and location (1.2.2) for each event. IP addresses and user credentials are used to identify the intruder. The system design should be modular to adapt to the environment, i.e. [66] propose to use biometric data to identify intruders. Additionally, log information can contain metadata related to the intrusion, such as timestamp (1.2.3), intrusion layer (i.e. OSI) (1.2.4), intrusion activity (1.2.5) whether the attack is active or passive and finally, the type of intrusion(1.2.6) [13].

In order for an IDS to be considered effective, the detection rate (1.3.1) and low false positive rate are key aspects to consider. These can be evaluated using different metrics discussed in section 2.3. Other important factors include the transparency and safety of the overall system (1.3.2). The overall performance of the system has to be taken into account, these include memory requirements, power consumption (1.3.3) and throughput (1.3.4). Lastly, the IDS should not introduce abnormal behavior (1.3.5), hence a testing procedure should be set in place before deployment. The procedure can include fuzzing to detect anomalies and bugs in the IDS. Such anomalies could be exploited by an attacker to render the IDS useless or initiate a denial of service attack [13].

2.2 Distributed IDS

IDS can be distributed over multiple nodes in the network. Intrusion decisions in this case, can be made in a collaborative or swarm like (2.1.1) fashion, or independent (2.1.2) manner. In a collaborative manner, multiple nodes share a single decision. This collaboration can use statistical techniques such as voting and game theory, while in an independent mode, all decisions are made by individual nodes on the network.

Moreover, in this distributed manner, when all nodes are working with the same capacity, it is considered a flat (2.2.1) infrastructure, unlike a clustered infrastructure (2.2.2) where the nodes belong to clusters with different capabilities, each contributing to the decisions in a different manner. The computation location is another aspect of distributed IDS. The centralized computation location (2.3.1) works on data collected from the whole network. Unlike the centralized, the standalone computation location (2.3.2) works on local data, disregarding decisions from other nodes. A combination of both centralized and stand-alone, can also be achieved through cooperative computation, such that each node can detect an intrusion on its own but also contributes to the overall decision. Finally, IDS can also operate in hierarchal computation (2.3.4), where a cluster send all intrusion detection to root node, where a decision is taken [13].

2.3 IDS Accuracy

A high detection rate is essential in a machine learning based IDS alongside the evaluation metrics aforementioned. The main aspects to consider when measuring the accuracy are

- True Positive (TP): Number of intrusions correctly detected
- True Negative (TN): Number of non-intrusions correctly detected
- False Positive (FP): Number of non-intrusions incorrectly detected
- False Negative (FN): Number of intrusions incorrectly detected

Hodo *et al.* [38], Buse *et al.* [9] and Aminanto *et al.* [7] discuss the main metrics to consider in their respective work. These include the overall accuracy, decision rates, precision, recall, F1 and Mcc.

$$OverallAccuracy = \frac{TP + TN}{TP + TN + FP + FN} \tag{1}$$

Equation 1 provides the user with the probability that an item is correctly classified by the algorithm. Detection Rates:

Sensitivity (aka Recall) =
$$\frac{TP}{TP + FN}$$

Specificity = $\frac{TN}{TN + FP}$
Fallout = $\frac{FP}{TN + FP}$
Miss Rate = $\frac{FN}{TP + FN}$ (2)

Equation 2 calculates the TP, TN, FP and FN detection rates respectively.

$$Precision = \frac{TP}{TP + FP} \tag{3}$$

Equation 3 provides the percentage of positively classified incidents that are truly positive.

$$F1 = \frac{2TP}{2TP + FP + FN} \tag{4}$$

Equation 4 represents the harmonic mean of precision and recall.

$$Mcc = \frac{(TPxTN) - (FPxFN)}{\sqrt{(TP + FP)(TP + FN)(TN + FP)(TN + FN)}}$$
(5)

Equation 5 provides Matthews correlation coefficient. It can only be used in binary IDS in which incidents are classified as either attack or normal.

Additionally, the CPU consumption, the throughput and the power consumption are important metrics for the evaluation of intrusion detection systems running on different hardware on specific settings such as high-speed networks, or on hardware with limited resources.

2.4 IDS Internals

The location of IDS on the network can tremendously impact the threat detection, hence the overall accuracy of the system. As shown in Figure 1 (4.1), IDS can be located on a host computer, or inline and respond in real time to threats (4.1.2). Note that the detection rate of an inline IDS often degrades when used on a busy network. A hybrid system (4.1.3) being distributed both on the hosts and through the network can also be implemented, using hosts as sensors for swarm intelligence.

The detection method is an important aspect of all intrusion detection system (4.2). Signature-based (4.2.1) IDS are based on prior threat detection and the creation of accurate signatures. The main advantage of this method is the high accuracy for known attacks. The IDS is , however, unable to detect 0-days and polymorphic threats [12]. Signature-based is also known as 'Misuse Detection'. Anomaly-based (4.2.2) depends on identifying patterns and comparing them to normal traffic patterns. This method requires training the system prior to deploying it. The accuracy of such

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a system against 0-days and polymorphic threats is better when compared against signature-based IDS. However, the false positive rate is often high.

Anomaly-based IDS are based on identifying patterns defining normal and abnormal traffic. These IDS can be classified into subcategories based on the training method used. These categories are identified respectively as statistical, knowledge-based and machine learning based. Statistical (4.2.2.1) includes univariate, multivariate and time series. Knowledge-based (4.2.2.2) uses finite state machines and rules like case-based, n-based, expert systems and descriptor languages. Finally, machine learning includes artificial neural networks, clustering, genetic algorithms, deep learning, ... Specification-based (4.2.3) combines the strength of both signature and anomaly based to form a hybrid model.

2.5 Industrial IDS

Industrial Intrusion Detection Systems face different challenges, than traditional IDS. The automation of processes included in industrial network architectures often make use of specialized hardware for specific industries such as petrochemical, aerospace, etc. These hardwares use specific communication protocols such as ModBus, Profibus ...

Table 1 summarizes how the industrial settings differ from traditional ones. Including the dependency on embedded systems, hardware - such as PLC, Data Logger, etc - are an important aspect of the network. Unlike traditional networks, PLCs are unable to run an integrated IDS due to limited processing power. Moreover, the network architecture is fixed and rarely changes, as industrial processes often cover a limited range of functions. These systems can be used for decades without updates. However, industrial processes have a predictable element, which should be taken into account when designing the IDS [106].

	Industrial Processes	Traditional Processes
Hardware Involvement	Yes	No
Network Topology	Fixed	Dynamic
Functionality	Fixed and Small range	Wide range
Protocols	Simple	Complex
Resources	Limited	Highly accessible
Performance and Availability	Requires real-time	Not dominant requirement
Behaviour	Predictable	Unpredictable

Table 1. Industrial Processes VS Traditional Processes

2.6 Feature Selection

"Feature Learning" [7] or "Feature Engineering" [28] plays an important role in building any IDS in a way that chosen features highly affect the accuracy. Different features representations can be used to address different areas of threat detection. Some of them are considered naive when they contain basic information about the software or network. Others are considered rich when they represent deeper details [28].

Obtaining features can be done using one of the following processes or a combination of them.

- Construction
- Extraction
- Selection

Feature construction creates new features by mining existing ones by finding missing relations within features. While extraction works on raw data and/or features and apply mapping functions to extract new ones. Selection works on getting a significant subset of features. This helps reduce the feature space and reduce the computational power.

Feature selection can be done through three approaches, as shown in Table 2, filter, wrapper and embedded.

Approach	Description	Advantages	Disadvantages
Filter [33]	Selects the most meaning-	Low Execution Time	May choose redun-
	ful features regardless the	and over-fitting	dant variables
	model		
Wrapper [65]	Combine related variables	Consider interactions	Over-fitting risk and
	to have subsets		High execution time
Embedded [35]	Investigate interaction in a	Result in an optimal	-
	deeper manner than Wrap-	subset of variables	
	per		

Table 2. Feature Selection Approaches

In the following section a survey of recent IDS is presented.

3 IDS AND DATASETS SURVEY

In the past decade numerous IDS were developed and evaluated against a range of published available datasets. In this Section, these datasets are summarized, and their limitations highlighted. Furthermore, recent IDS are analysed discussing algorithms used and the datasets the IDS were evaluated against. Moreover, the trends in the algorithms used by research over the past decade are discussed, highlighting a clear shift in the use of specific algorithms.

3.1 IDS and Associated Datasets

Researchers depended on benchmark datasets to evaluate their results. However, the datasets currently available lack real-life properties. This is the reason that made most of the anomaly intrusion detection systems not applicable for production environments [92], furthermore, they unable of adapting to the constant changes in networks (i.e. new nodes, changing traffic loads, changing topology, etc...).

Viegas *et al.* [92] mentioned that for a dataset to be considered, it has to cover the following properties: (a) Real network traffic (similar to production ones), (b) Valid, such that it has complete scenarios. (c) Labeled, specifying the class of each record as normal or attack, (d) Variant, (e) Correct, (f) Can be updated easily, (g) Reproducible in order to give researchers the space to compare across different datasets, and finally (h) Sharable, hence it should not contain any confidential data. Additionally, Iman et al [75] mentions that (i) having variant protocols is an important aspect of IDS dataset, as well as (j) having an appropriate documentation for the feature and dataset collection environment.

A benchmark for dataset is presented in [75]. The benchmark include DARPA [49], KDD'99 [36], DEFCON [30], CAIDA [26], LBNL [50], CDX [73], Kyoto [81], Twente [82], UMASS [67], ISCX2012 [27] and ADFA [18]. While the evaluation includes the attacks in each dataset and the features are compared, the authors fail to provide a detailed analysis of the broader impact of their benchmark.

In this manuscript, a survey of machine learning IDS is provided, analyzing the associated datasets and their short-comings.

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Table 3.1 introduces the most pre-eminent (i.e. most cited) IDS research from the past decade. Each IDS is mentioned with a list of the algorithms used and the datasets the IDS was evaluated against. Moreover, the attacks detected are also listed.

The algorithmic trends are then discussed alongside the attacks included in the datasets used.

Table 3. A Decade of Intrusion Detection Systems (2008 - 2018)

Year	Authors	Paper Title	Dataset	Used Algorithms	Detected Attacks	Ref
2008	Cheng Xiang et al.	Design of Multiple-Level Hybrid	KDD-99	- Tree Classifiers	- Probing	[66]
		Classifier for Intrusion Detection		- Bayesian Clustering	- DoS	
		System using Bayesian Cluster-			- R2L	
		ing and Decision Trees			- U2R	
2008	Giorgio Giacinto et	Intrusion Detection in Computer	KDD-99	- Parzen Classifier	- Probing	[58]
	al.	Networks by a Modular Ensemble		- v-SVC	- DoS	
		of One-class Classifiers		- k-means	- R2L	
					- U2R	
2008	Kaustav Das et al.	Anomaly Pattern Detection in	1)PIERS		1) Illegal activity in im-	[19]
		Categorical Datasets	2)Emergency	- Bayesian Network Likeli-	ported containers	
			Depart-	hood	2) Anthrax	
			ment	- Conditional Anomaly De-	3) DoS and R2L	
			Dataset	tection		
			3)KDD-99	- WSARE		
2008	Weiming Hu et al.	AdaBoost-based Algorithm for	KDD-99	- AdaBoost	- Probing	[41]
		Network Intrusion Detection			- DoS	
					- R2L	
					- U2R	
2009	Arman	Intrusion Detection using Fuzzy KDD-99	KDD-99	- ABC	- Probing	[87]
	Tajbakhsh et	Association Rules		- Fuzzy Association Rules	- DoS	
	al.				- R2L	
					- U2R	
2009	D. Sánchez <i>et al.</i>	Association Rules Applied to	Collected	- Fuzzy Association Rules	- Credit Card Fraud	[71]
		Credit Card Fraud Detection	trans-			
			actions			
			dataset			
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Year	Authors	Paper Title	Dataset	r Title Dataset Used Algorithms	Detected Attacks	Ref
2009	Kamran Shafi and	An Adaptive Genetic-based Sig-	KDD-99	- Genetic-based	- Probing	[74]
	Hussein A. Abbass	nature Learning System for Intru-			- DoS	
		sion Detection			- R2L	
					- U2R	
2009	Su-Yun Wu and Es-	Data mining-based Intrusion De-	KDD-99	- C4.5	- Probing	[86]
	ter Yen	tectors			- DoS	
					- R2L	
					- U2R	
2009	Tich Phuoc Tran et	Novel Intrusion Detection using	KDD-99	BSPNN using:	- Probing	[06]
	al.	Probabilistic Neural Network and		- Adaptive Boosting	- DoS	
		Adaptive Boosting		- Semi-parametric NN	- R2L	
					- U2R	
2009	Xiaojun Tong et al.	A Research using Hybrid	1999	- RBF	- Probing	[88]
		RBF/Elman Neural Networks	DARPA	- Elman NN	- DoS	
		for Intrusion Detection System			- R2L	
		Secure Model			- U2R	
2009	Wei Lu and	Detecting Network Anomalies	1999	- SNORT	13 Attack Types	[22]
	Hengjian Tong	Using CUSUM and EM Cluster-	DARPA	- Non-Parametric CUSUM		
		ing		- EM based Clustering		
2010	Gang Wang et al.	A New Approach to Intrusion	KDD-99	FC-ANN based on:	- Probing	[94]
		Detection using Artificial Neural		- ANN	- DoS	
		Networks and Fuzzy Clustering		- Fuzzy Clustering	- R2L	
					- U2R	
2010	Min Seok Mok et	Random Effects Logistic Regres-	KDD-99	- Logistic Regression	- Probing	[09]
	al.	sion Model for Anomaly Detec-			- DoS	
		tion			- R2L	
					- UZK	
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Table 3-A Decade of Intrusion Detection Systems (2008 - 2018) Continued

Ref	[42]			[63]						[89]				[84]				[2]				
Detected Attacks	- Probing	- DoS - R2L	- U2R	- Nachi scan	- Netbios scan - DDoS IDD flood	- DDoS TCP flood	- stealthy DDoS UDP flood	- DDoS UDP flood + traffic	deletion Popup spam - SSH scan + TCP flood	- Probing	- DoS	- R2L	- U2R	- DoS/DDoS				- Probing	- DoS	- R2L	- U2R	,
r Title Dataset Used Algorithms	NN -	- FCM Clustering		- OCSVM						- AdaBoost	- NB			- Genetic Algorithm	- Weighted k-NN			Genetic Fuzzy Systems	based on:	- Michigan	- Pittsburgh	- IRL
Dataset	KDD-99				dataset					KDD-99				KDD-99				KDD-99				
Paper Title	Design Network Intrusion Detec-	tion System using hybrid Fuzzy- Neural Network		Machine Learning Approach for	IP-Flow Record Anomaly Detection					Adaptive Intrusion Detection	based on Boosting and Naive	Bayesian Classifier		Real-time Anomaly Detection	Systems for Denial-of-Service At-	tacks by Weighted k-Nearest-	Neighbor Classifiers	Design and Analysis of Genetic	Fuzzy Systems for Intrusion De-	tection in Computer Networks		
Authors	Muna Mhammad T.	Jawhar and Mon- ica Mehrotra			al.					Dewan Md.	Farid et al.			2011 Ming-Yang Su					Saniee Abadeh et	al.		
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r Title Dataset Used Algorithms	- DT	- Ripper Rule	- Back-Propagation NN - RBF NN	- Bayesian Network - NB	- SOM	- K-means clustering			- Rule-Based	- Rule-Based - BON	- Rule-Based - BON - ART Network	- Rule-Based - BON - ART Network	- Rule-Based - BON - ART Network - SVM	- Rule-Based - BON - ART Network - SVM	- Rule-Based - BON - ART Network - SVM	- Rule-Based - BON - ART Network - SVM	- Rule-Based - BON - ART Network - SVM	- Rule-Based - BON - ART Network - SVM - K-Means - NB	- Rule-Based - BON - ART Network - SVM - K-Means - NB	- Rule-Based - BON - ART Network - SVM - K-Means - NB	- Rule-Based - BON - ART Network - SVM - K-Means - NB	- Rule-Based - BON - ART Network - SVM - K-Means - NB - Modified SOM - k-means	- Rule-Based - BON - ART Network - SVM - K-Means - NB - Modified SOM - k-means	- Rule-Based - BON - ART Network - SVM - K-Means - NB - Modified SOM - k-means
Dataset	KDD-99				KDD-99				KDD-99															
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Used Algorithms	- SVM	ELMs: - Basic - Kernel-Based	- SVDD	- Hidden NB	- SVM - DT -SA	Ensemble DTs: - Decision Stump - C4.5 - NB Tree - Random Forest - Random Tree - Representative Tree model
Dataset	1998 DARPA	1998 DARPA	1998 DARPA	KDD-99	KDD-99	KDD-99
Paper Title	An Autonomous Labeling Approach to Support Vector Machines Algorithms for Network Traffic Anomaly Detection	Extreme Learning Machines for Intrusion Detection	A Differentiated One-class Classification Method with Applications to Intrusion Detection	A Network Intrusion Detection System Based on a Hidden Naïve Bayes Multiclass Classifier	An Intelligent Algorithm with Feature Selection and Decision Rules Applied to Anomaly Intru- sion Detection	Decision Tree Based Light Weight Intrusion Detection using a Wrapper Approach
Authors	Carlos A. Catania et al.	Chi Cheng et al.	Inho Kang et al.	Levent Koc et al.	Shih-Wei Lin et al.	Siva S. Sivatha Sindhu <i>et al.</i>
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Year	Authors	Paper Title Dataset Used Algorithms	Dataset	Used Algorithms	Detected Attacks	Ref
2012	Yinhui Li et al.	An Efficient Intrusion Detection	KDD-99	- K-means	- Probing	[53]
		System based on Support Vector		- Ant Colony	- DoS	1
		Machines and Gradually Feature		- SVM	- R2L	
		Removal Method			- U2R	
2013	A. M. Chan-	Fortification of Hybrid Intrusion	KDD-99	- Fuzzy C means	- Probing	[15]
	drashekhar and K.	Detection System using Variants		- Fuzzy NN / Neurofuzzy	- DoS	
	Raghuveer	of Neural Networks and Support		- RBF SVM	- R2L	
		Vector Machines			- U2R	
2013	Dahlia Asyiqin	Hybrid of Fuzzy Clustering Neu-	NSL-KDD	- Fuzzy Clustering NN	- Probing	[104]
	Ahmad Zainaddin	ral Network over NSL Dataset for			- DoS	
	and Zurina Mohd	Intrusion Detection System			- R2L	
	Hanapi				- U2R	
2013	Mazyar Moham-	A Hybrid Framework based on	KDD-99	- K-means	- Probing	[26]
	madi Lisehroodi <i>et</i>	Neural Network MLP and K-		- NN MLP	- DoS	
	al.	means Clustering for Intrusion			- R2L	
		Detection System			- U2R	
2013	S. Devaraju S. Ra-	Detection of Accuracy for Intru-	KDD-99	- FFNN	- Probing	[21]
	makrishnan	sion Detection System using Neu-		- ENN	- DoS	
		ral Network Classifier		- GRNN	- R2L	
				- PNN	- U2R	
				- RBNN		
2013	Seongjun Shin et	Advanced Probabilistic Approach	DARPA	Advanced Probabilistic	- DDoS	[92]
	al.	for Network Intrusion Forecast-	2000	Approach for Network-		
		ing and Detection		based IDS (APAN) using:		
				- Markov Chain		
				- Kmeans Clustering		
2013	Warusia Yassin et	Anomaly-based Intrusion Detec-	ISCX 2012	- K-Means Clustering	- Normal and Attack	[101]
	al.	tion Through kmeans Clustering		and NB Classifier called		
		and Naives Bayes Classification		KMC+NBC		
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 Table 3 - A Decade of Intrusion Detection Systems (2008 - 2018) Continued
 Net-GR - Bayesian Net with GR Non-Parametric CUSUM Two variants of GMDH: Used Algorithms ANN-Bayesian feature selection Ensemble-based One-class SVM - Monolithic K-medoids - CSOACN ensemble: - C4.5 DT - ANN - SVM - DT Credit Card - NSL-KDD Simulated - KDD-99 **NST-KDD** Dataset KDD-99 KDD-99 KDD-99 dataset Bank's Data GMDH-based Networks for Intel-An Ensemble Model for Classification of Attacks with Feature Se-A Novel Hybrid Intrusion Detec-Mining Network Data for Intru-A New Clustering Approach for for Combating Attacks Against aly Detection with Misuse Detec-A Cost-Sensitive Decision Tree Intrusion Detection System (IDS) lection based on KDD99 and NSLion Method Integrating Anomsion Detection Through Combining SVMs with Ant Colony Net-Approach for Fraud Detection Anomaly Intrusion Detection Cognitive Radio Networks ligent Intrusion Detection KDD Data Set Paper Title tion Zubair Md. Fadlul-Ravi Ranjan and G. etetAkhilesh Kumar Shrivas and Amit Kumar Dewangan Gisung Kim et al. Yusuf Sahin et al. Zubair A. Baig Wenying Feng Authors ah et al. Sahoo al.al.2014 2014 2014 2013 2013 2014

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2015	Adel Sabry Eesa et	A Novel Feature-selection Ap-	KDD-99	- DT	- Probing	[22]
	al.	proach based on the Cuttlefish		- Cuttlefish Optimization	- DoS	
		Optimization Algorithm for In-		Algorithm (Feature Selec-	- R2L	
		trusion Detection Systems		tion)	- U2R	
2015	Bisyron Wahyudi	Study on Implementation of Ma-	Reduced	- SVM	- R2L	[28]
	Masduki <i>et al.</i>	chine Learning Methods Combi-	sample of			
		nation for Improving Attacks De-	GureKd-			
		tection Accuracy on Intrusion De-	dcnb:			
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2015	Wei-Chao Lin et al.	CANN: An Intrusion Detection	KDD-99	- K-means	- Probing	[22]
		System based on Combining Clus-		- k-NN	- DoS	
		ter Centers and Nearest Neigh-			- R2L	
		bors			- U2R	
2015	Worachai	Classification Model of Network	KDD-99	- Weighted ELM	- Probing	[83]
	Srimuang and	Intrusion using Weighted Ex-			- DoS	
	Silada Intara-	treme Learning Machine			- R2L	
	sothonchun.				- U2R	
2016	Amal Hadri et al.	Intrusion Detection System using	KDD-99	- PCA and Fuzzy PCA	- Probing	[31]
		PCA and Fuzzy PCA Techniques		- k-NN	- DoS	
					- R2L	
					- U2R	
2016	Basant Subba et al.	Enhancing Performance of	NSL-KDD	- PCA	- Probing	[82]
		Anomaly Based Intrusion		- SVM	- DoS	
		Detection Systems through		- MLP	- R2L	
		Dimensionality Reduction using		- C4.5	- U2R	
		Principal Component Analysis		- NB		
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	Threat analysis of IoT networks Using Artificial Neural Network Intrusion Detection System	Detection of SQL Injection and XSS Attacks in Three Tier Web Applications	Principle Component Analysis based Intrusion Detection System Using Support Vector Machine		Intrusion Detection System using Hybrid Binary PSO and K-Nearest Neighborhood Algorithm	Intrusion Detection System using Hybrid Binary PSO and K-Nearest Neighborhood Algorithm Incremental k-NN SVM Method in Intrusion Detection	ion System us- lary PSO and lborhood Algo- N SVM Method ction Heterogeneous Intrusion	Intrusion Detection System using Hybrid Binary PSO and K-Nearest Neighborhood Algorithm Incremental k-NN SVM Method in Intrusion Detection HA-IDS: A Heterogeneous Anomaly-based Intrusion Detection System A Deep Learning Approach for Intrusion Detection Using Recurrent Neural Networks
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Year	2016	2016	2016	ŀ				2017

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2017		Machine Learning Approach for	UNB-CIC	- ANN	nonTor Traffic	[38]
		Detection of nonTor Traffic		- SVM		1
2017	Qingru Li et al.	An Intrusion Detection System	KDD-99	- Polynomial Feature Cor-	- DoS	[52]
		Based on Polynomial Feature Cor-		relation		
		relation Analysis				
2017	Shengchu Zhao et	A Dimension Reduction Model	KDD-99	- PCA	- Probing	[105]
	al.	and Classifier for Anomaly-Based		- Softmax Regression	- DoS	
		Intrusion Detection in Internet of		- k-NN	- R2L	
		Things			- U2R	
2017	Untari N. Wisesty	Comparative Study of Conjugate	KDD-99	- Optimized Backprop-	- Probing	[62]
	and Adiwijaya	Gradient to Optimize Learning		agation by Conjugate	- DoS	
		Process of Neural Network for In-			- R2L	
		trusion Detection System (IDS)			- U2R	
				Ribiere, Powell Beale)		
2018	Di He et al.	An Improved Kernel Clustering	KDD-99	Kernel Clustering	- Probing	[34]
		Algorithm Used in Computer Net-			- DoS	
		work Intrusion Detection			- R2L	
					- U2R	
2018	Mohamad Nazrin	Compression Header Analyzer	Simulated	- MLP	ina-	[62]
	Napiah et al.	Intrusion Detection System (CHA	Dataset	- SVM	tion Routing Attacks:	
		- IDS) for 6LoWPAN Communica-		- J48	- Hello Flood	
		tion Protocol		- NB	- Sinkhole	
				- Logistic	- Wormhole	
				- Random Forest		
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				- BFS-CFS		
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	Ref	[5]	[4]	[77]	
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ıstems (2008 - 2018) Continu	Used Algorithms	- FLN - PSO	- Deep Auto-Encoder - ANN	- DL - NDAE - Stacked NDAEs	* RL: Iterative Rule Learning * k-NN: k-Nearest Neighbors * MLP: Multi-Layer Perceptron * NB: Naïve Bayes * NDAE: Non-Symmetric Deep Auto-Encoder * NN: Neural Network * OCSVM: One Class Support Vector Machine * PCA: Principal Component Analysis * PNN: Probabilistic Neural Network * PSO: Particle Swarm Optimization * RSL: Remote to Local * RBF: Radial Basis Function * RBF: Radial Basis Neural Network * RNN: Recurrent Neural Network * SA: Simulated Annealing * SOM: Self-Organizing Map * SVDD: Support Vector Data Description
on Detection Sy	Dataset	KDD-99	- NSL-KDD - UNSW- NB15	- KDD-99 - NSL-KDD	Selection ork olony Network
Table 3 – A Decade of Intrusion Detection Systems (2008 - 2018) Continued	Paper Title	A New Intrusion Detection System Based on Fast Learning Network and Particle Swarm Optimization	Identification of Malicious Activities in Industrial Internet of Things based on Deep Learning Models	A Deep Learning Approach to Network Intrusion Detection	* ABC: Association Based Classification * ANN: Artificial Neural Network * APD: Anomaly Pattern Detection * ART: Adaptive Resonance Theory * BFS-CFS: Best First Search with Correlation Features Selection * BON: Back-Propagation Network * BON: Back-Propagation Network * BON: Back-Propagation Network * CSOACN: Clustering based on Self-Organized Ant Colony Network * CUSUM: CUmulative SUM * DL: Deep Learning * DD: Decision Tree * DT: Decision Tree * ELM: Extreme Learning Machine * ELM: Extreme Learning Machine * FCM: Fuzzy C-Mean * FFNN: Feed Forward Network * FLM: Fast Learning Network
	Authors	Mohammed Hasan Ali <i>et al.</i>	Muna AL- Hawawreh <i>et</i> <i>al.</i>	Nathan Shone et al.	
	Year	2018	2018	2018	Where

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Year	Year Authors	Paper Title	Dataset	Dataset Used Algorithms Detected Attacks Ref	Detected Attacks	Ref
	* GMDH: Group Me	* GMDH: Group Method for Data Handling		* SVM: Support Vector Machine	chine	
	* GR: Gain Ratio			* U2R: User to Root		
	* GRNN: Generalize	* GRNN: Generalized Regression Neural Network		* WSARE: WhatâÁŹs Strange About Recent Events	nge About Recent Events	
	* GS-CFS: Greedy S	' GS-CFS: Greedy Stepwise with Correlation Features Selection	Selection	* XSS: Cross Site Scripting		

Figure 2 shows the distribution of datasets used for research in the last decade. Only 11% of the mentioned IDS used generated or simulated datasets. It is also clear through this analysis that most datasets lack real-life properties which was previously in Section 3.1. Figure 2 also highlights the use of KDD-99 as the dataset of choice. This dataset is deprecated, hence, this demonstrates the inability of the intrusion detection systems presented in Table 3.1 to cope with the most recent attacks.

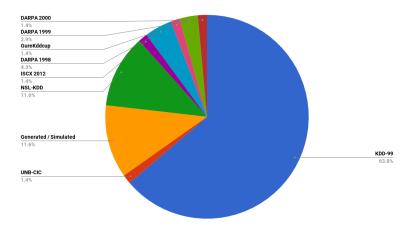


Fig. 2. Distribution of Datasets Used for Evaluation over Discussed IDSs

Figure 3 visualize the attacks detected by the different IDS presented in Table 3.1. It is shown, that the 4 attacks available in the KDD-99 dataset are the most covered, namely; DoS/DDoS, Probing, R2L, U2R.

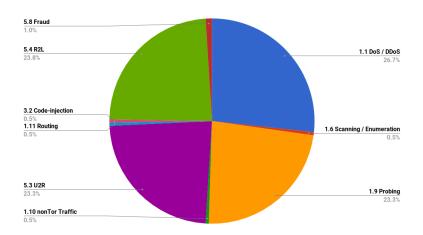


Fig. 3. Covered Attacks in Discussed IDS

Figure 4 (a) highlights the dominance of machine learning algorithms, when building an IDS. As shown, both statistical and knowledge-based algorithms are less represented. Figure 4 (a) is

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organized by the categories defined in Figure 1 (Inner Circle), The algorithms defined in Figure 1 (4.2.2.2) (Center Circle) and finally the percentage of the IDS presented in Table 3.1 using these algorithms (Outer Circle). Figure 4 (b) on the other hand, provides a visualization of the distribution of the algorithms used by the IDS presented in Table 3.1. It is shown that ANN, SVM and k-means are the most used algorithms overall.



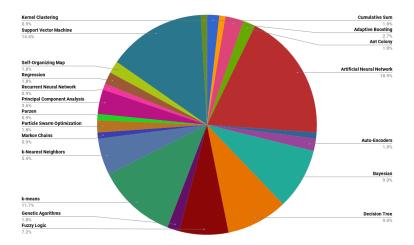
(a) Distribution of all algorithms discussed in Figure 1

4 THREATS TAXONOMY

Building a generic and modular taxonomy for security threats is of high importance in order to help researchers and cyber-security practitioners building tools capable of detecting various attacks ranging from known to 0-day attacks.

Kendall *et al.* [45] proposed one of the earliest classifications of intrusions [92]. Kendall classified intrusions into four categories namely: Denial of Service (DoS), Remote to Local (R2L), User to Root (U2R) and Probing. In DoS, the attacker tend to prevent users from accessing a given service. When the attacker tried to gain authorized access to the target system, either by gaining a local access or promoting the user to a root user, these attacks were classified as R2L and U2R respectively. Finally, probing was defined, by an attacker actively foot printing a system for vulnerabilities.

Donald Welch classified the common threats in wireless networks into seven attack techniques (Traffic Analysis, Passive Eavesdropping, Active Eavesdropping, Unauthorized Access, Man-in-the-middle, Session High-Jacking and Replay) [96]. In a paper by Sachin Babar *et al.* [10], the problem is addressed from a different perspective. Threats are classified according to the Internet of things security requirements (identification, communication, physical threat, embedded security and storage management). Specific domain taxonomies have also grabbed the attention of researchers. David Kotz [48] discusses privacy threats in mobile health (mHealth) domain. In the same manner,



(b) Distribution of used algorithms discussed in Table 3.1

Fig. 4. Algorithms usage distribution in the discussed IDSs

Keshnee Padayachee [64], shows the security threats targeting compliant information and Monjur Ahmed and Alan T. Litchfield [3] works on threats from a cloud computing point of view.

This Section classifies network threats based on the layers of the OSI model, provides examples of attacks for different threat types and provides a taxonomy associating network threats and the tools used to carry out attacks. The taxonomies aim at helping researchers building IDS, but more importantly by associating the threats to the OSI model, as well as the threats to the tools used to carry attack or take advantage of specific vulnerabilities, the taxonomies aim at achieving higher accuracies and reducing the amount of false positives of current intrusion detection systems [77] as well as building better datasets.

4.1 Threat Sources

Figure 5 identify network threats and provides a classification according to the following criteria (I) Source of the threat, (II) Affected layer based on Open Systems Interconnection (OSI) model and (III) Active and Passive threats. The different threats are described hereafter (Note that the taxonomy is available through a a Github repository for public access and contributions ¹.

As shown, attacks can be targeting a single layer of the OSI model, but it is important to highlight that other layers may also be affected. The taxonomy presented in this manuscript focus on the main target layer of attack. An attack is also described to be active if it affects information, performance or any aspect of the media on which it is running. In contrast to active attacks, during passive attacks the attacker is concerned with either gathering information or monitoring the network. These can be identified by their shape in Figure 5. Active attacks are represented by a *rectangle shape*, while passive attacks are represented by an *oval shape*. Attacks like adware (2.1.3), spyware (2.1.4) and information gathering (3.1) are considered passive attacks. DoS (1.1), Impersonation (1.4) and Virus (2.1.2) are forms of active attacks. However, some attacks cannot be considered active or passive until their usage is known. An example of this case are SQL-injections, if it is used for

¹https://github.com/AbertayMachineLearningGroup/network-threats-taxonomy

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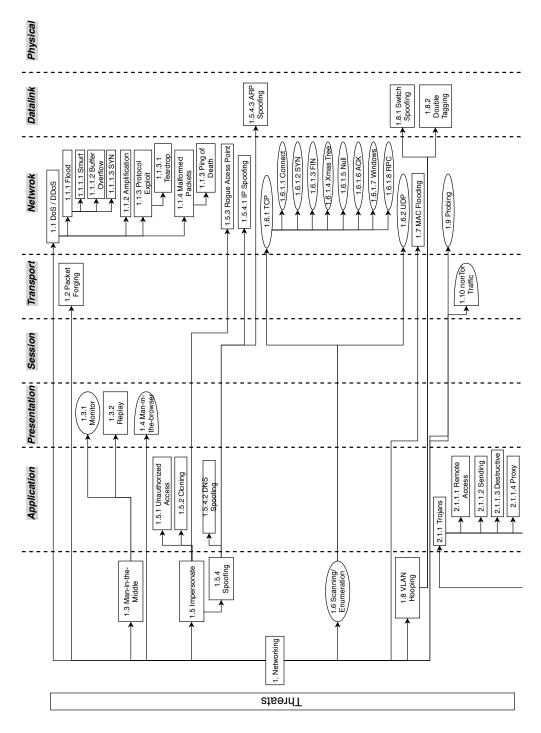


Fig. 5. Taxonomy of threats (1 of 2)

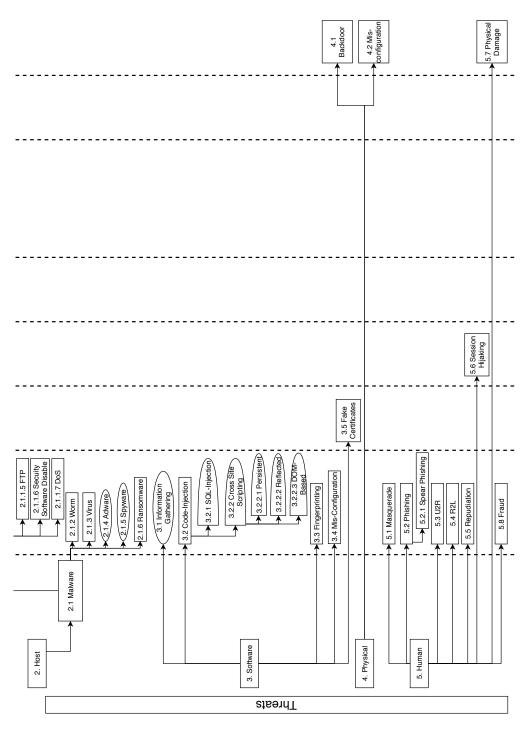


Fig. 5. Taxonomy of threats (2 of 2)

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querying data from a database then it is passive. However, if it is used to alter data, drop tables or relations then the attack can be considered as active.

4.1.1 Network Threats. Threats are initiated based on a flow of packet sent over a network. Two of the most common forms of network threats are Denial of Service (DoS) and Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS) (1.1) where an attacker floods the network with requests rendering the service unresponsive. During Attacks legitimate users cannot access the services. Note that common anomalies known as 'Flash Crowds' are often mistaken with DoS and DDoS attacks [43]. Dos and DDoS can be divided in four categories including flood attacks (1.1.1), amplification attacks (1.1.2), protocol exploit (1.1.3), and malformed packets (1.1.4). These are defined respectively through attack examples. Smurf attacks (1.1.1.1) depends on generating a large amount of ping requests. Overflows (1.1.1.2) occurs when a program writes more bytes than allowed. This occurs when an attacker sends packets larger than 65536 bytes (allowed in the IP protocol) and the stack does not have an appropriate input sanitation in place. The ping of Death (1.1.4.1) attack occurs when packets are too large for the routers and splitting is required. The Teardrop (1.1.3.1) attack takes place when an incorrect offset is set by the attacker. Finally the SYN flood (1.1.1.3) attack happens when the host allocates memory for a huge number of TCP SYN packets.

Packet forging (1.2) is another form of networking attack. Packet forging or injection is the action in which the attacker generates packets that look the same as those of the network. These packets can be used to perform certain action, steal information, etc. When the attacker intercepts communications between two or more entities and starts to either control the communication between them and alter the communication or listen to the network, this attack is referred to as a 'Man in the Middle' attack (1.3). Unlike 'Man in the Middle' attack, a 'Man In The Browser' attack (1.4) intercepts the browser to alter or add fields to a web page asking the user to enter confidential data. Impersonation (1.5) or pretending to be another user can take different forms. The attacker may impersonate a user to gain higher security level and gain access to unauthorized data (1.5.1) or use cloned accounts, cloning (1.5.2) is common in social networks. Another impersonation form in wireless networks are rogue access points (1.5.3). During an IP spoofing (1.5.4.1) attack an attacker spoofs an IP address and sends packets impersonating a legitimate host. DNS spoofing - also known as DNS cache poisoning - (1.5.4.2) is another type of spoofing. The attacker redirects packets by poisoning the DNS. Finally, ARP spoofing (1.5.4.3) is used to perform attack like Man In the Middle, in order to dissociate legitimate IP and MAC addresses in the ARP tables of the victims.

Scanning/enumeration are an essential step for initiating attacks. During scanning (1.6), the attacker starts with searching the network for information such as, active nodes, the running operating system, software versions, etc. As defined in [59], scanning has many forms, using protocols such as TCP (1.6.1) or UDP (1.6.2). The last two examples of network attacks are media access control (MAC) address flooding (1.7), and VLAN hopping attack (1.8). In MAC flooding (1.7), the attacker is targeting the network switches and as a result, packets are redirected to the wrong physical ports, while the VLAN hopping attack has two forms either switch spoofing (1.8.1) or double tagging (1.8.2).

4.1.2 Host Threats. Host attacks target specific hosts or system by running malicious software to compromise the system functionalities or corrupt it. Most host attacks are categorized under the malware (2.1) category. This includes worms, viruses, adwares, spywares, Trojans and ransomware. Viruses are known to affect programs and files when shared with other users on the network while worms are known to self-replicate affecting multiple systems. Adwares are known for showing advertisements to users when surfing the Internet or installing software. Although adware are less likely to run malicious code, it can compromise the performance of a system. Spyware, gathers information such as documents, user cookies, browsing history, emails, etc. or monitor and track

A Taxonomy and Survey of Intrusion Detection System Design Techniques, Network Threats and **Datasets** user actions. Trojans often look like trusted applications, but allow the attacker to control the device. Last, ransomware are a relatively new type of malware where the system is kept under the control of the attacker - or a third entity - by encrypting the files until the user/organization pay a ransom [1]. 4.1.3 Software Threats. Code injection (3.2) can include SQL Injection to query the database, resulting in obtaining confidential data, or deleting data by dropping columns, rows or tables. Cross-site scripting (XSS) is used to run malicious code to steal cookies or credentials. XSS have three main categories. The first is persistent/stored XSS (3.2.2.1), in this case the script is saved in the database and is executed every time the page is loaded. The second is Reflected XSS (3.2.2.2) in which the script is part of the HTTP requests sent to the server. The last is DOM-based XSS (3.2.2.3) which can be considered as an advanced type of XSS. The attacker changes values in the Document Object Model (DOM) e.g. document location, document url, etc. DOM-based XSS are difficult to detect as the script is never transferred to the server. Fingerprinting and misconfiguration are also forms of software threats. Fake server certificates (3.5) should be considered while building web applications or analysing communications. 4.1.4 Physical Threats. Physical attacks are a result of a tempering attempt on the network hardware (edge, or other devices) or its configuration. This can include changing the configurations (4.2) and to introducing backdoors (i.e. The Evil Maid). 4.1.5 Human Threats. The last category of networking attacks are the one based on human actions. These includes user masquerade (5.1). Phishing is another form of human attacks in which the attacker uses emails or other electronic messaging services to obtain credentials or confidential data. When a user attempts to take higher privileges it is considered a human attack like User to Root (5.3) and Remote to Local R2L (5.4). Additionally, a user can be denied an action such as repudiation (5.5) attack. Human attacks can also include session hijacking or sniffing, these attacks are based on the attacker gaining access over an active session to access to cookies and tokens.

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Fig. 6. Distribution of Covered Attacks in Discussed IDSs

Based on the taxonomy discussed in Figure 5 and the recent IDS in Table 3, it can be seen that there are many threats that are not addressed by recent IDS. Figure 6 visualize all the threats mentioned in the taxonomy. The associated percentage represents the the attacks covered by the IDS discussed in Section 3.1, Table 3.1. As shown a large number of attacks are not covered.

4.2 Attacking Tools

Many tools [59] [40] have been developed to initiate different attacks. Figure 7 show the main tools classified by the attacks they are used for. This can be used by researchers when building an IDS for a specific threat, then the associated tools are the ones of interest. For example, for an IDS classifying impersonation attacks, Caffe-Latte, Hirte, EvilTwin and Cain and Abel are the ones to check. Yaga and SQL attack are used for U2R and so on.

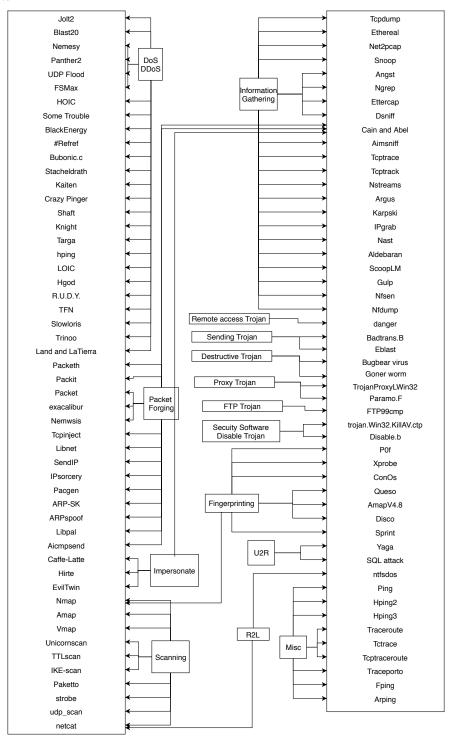


Fig. 7. Attacks Tools Example

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5 CONCLUSION

This manuscript aims at providing an overview of intrusion detection system internals, the way they are expected to work, as well as evaluation criteria and classifications problems. Furthermore, the manuscript tackles the problem of having a generic taxonomy for network threats. A proposed taxonomy is presented for categorizing network attacks based on the source, OSI model layer and whether the threat is active or passive. The prominent IDS research of the past decade (2008 - 2018) are analyzed. The analysis results in three main findings. Benchmark datasets lack real world property and fail to cope with the constant changes in attacks and networks architectures.

Moreover, we present a taxonomy of tools and associated attacks, and demonstrate the current IDS research only cover around 25% of the threats presented in the taxonomy. Furthermore we highlight that, while machine learning is used by 97.25% of the surveyed IDS. ANN, k-means and SVM represent the majority of the algorithms used. While these algorithms present outstanding results, we also highlight that these results are obtained on outdated datasets and hence, not representative of real-world architectures and attack scenarios.

Finally, the network threat taxonomy and the attacks and associated tool taxonomy are open-sourced and available through Github, allowing both securiry and acdemic researchers to contribute to the taxonomy and ensure its relevance in the future².

 $^{^2} https://github.com/Abertay Machine Learning Group/network-threats-taxonomy$

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